

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A Portal-Server portal-server system comprising:

a component to add a reference to references in an existing navigation tree of [[the]] a local Portal (1)-page-representing portal, wherein the reference represents a placeholder for a navigation tree of a Portal portal fragment of a remote Portal (2)-portal, and wherein the navigation tree defines a relationship between nodes of the navigation tree;

a component [[[10]]] to establish communication with [[said]] the remote Portal (2) portal and to receive Meta-information meta-information of said Portal the portal fragment via a Communication communication component [[[20]]] of [[said]] the remote Portal (2) portal, wherein said Meta-information completely the meta-information describes the navigation tree of said Portal the portal fragment[[.]]; and

a component [[[30]]] to merge [[said]] the existing navigation tree of [[said]] the local Portal (1) portal with [[said]] the navigation tree of said Portal the portal fragment, wherein resulting in a new navigation tree is formed [[.]]; and

a component to traverse [[said]] the new navigation tree by applying [[the]] a look and feel of [[said]] the local Portal (1) portal.

2. (Currently Amended) The Portal-Server portal-server system according to claim 1, further comprising:

a transformation component [[[15]]] at [[said]] a local Portal (1) portal side which receives the Meta-information meta-information in a standardized [[XML]] extensible markup language -format and transforms [[it]] the meta-information into [[the]] a format of [[said]] the existing navigation tree of [[said]] the local Portal (1) portal.

3. (Currently Amended) A method Method for dynamically integrating of remote Portal fragments a portal fragment of a remote portal into a local Portal portal while maintaining [[the]] a look and feel of the local portal, ~~characterized by the steps of the method comprising:~~

identifying a reference in an existing navigation tree of the local Portal-page portal representing a placeholder for a navigation tree of [[a]] the remote Portal portal fragment, wherein the navigation tree defines a relationship between nodes of the navigation tree;

establishing communication with [[said]] the remote Portal, portal;

receiving ~~Meta-information~~ meta-information from ~~[[said]] the remote Portal portal~~ describing the navigation tree of said ~~Portal the remote portal~~ fragment to be integrated~~[[,]]~~ ;

merging ~~the~~ existing navigation tree with the navigation tree of the ~~Portal remote portal~~ fragment to be integrated resulting in a new navigation tree~~[[,]]~~ ; and

rendering an integrated ~~Portal portal~~ page by traversing ~~[[said]] the~~ new navigation tree, identifying references to the remote ~~Portal fragments portal fragment~~ in ~~[[said]] the~~ new navigation tree, establishing communication with ~~[[said]] the remote Portals portal~~, and receiving ~~[[the]] a~~ markup of ~~[[said]] the remote portal Fragments fragment~~ for displaying said ~~Portal the remote portal~~ fragment into ~~[[said]] the~~ integrated ~~portal~~ page.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~The method Method~~ according to claim 3, wherein the ~~Meta-information is generated by the following steps~~ step of receiving the meta-information comprises:

loading a navigation tree of the remote ~~Portal page portal~~ if a ~~Portal portal~~ fragment request is received by the remote ~~Portal, portal~~;

extracting the navigation tree of ~~said Portal the remote portal~~ fragment to be integrated from ~~[[said]] the~~ navigation tree of ~~[[said]] the remote Portal, portal~~; and

~~putting said~~ inserting the navigation tree of ~~[[said]] the~~ remote ~~Portal portal~~ fragment into ~~a XML an~~ extensible markup language document.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The method Method~~ according to claim 4, further comprising:

~~wherein said Meta-information is received~~ receiving the meta-information by ~~[[said]] the local Portal portal~~ in a standardized ~~[[XML]] extensible markup language~~ format.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~The method Method~~ according to claim 5, wherein ~~said Meta-information the meta-information~~ is converted from ~~[[said]] the~~ standardized ~~[[XML]] extensible markup language~~ format into ~~[[the]] a~~ format of the existing navigation tree of the local ~~Portal portal~~ before merging.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~A computer Computer~~ program product stored in ~~the internal memory of a digital computer containing parts of software code to execute the method in accordance with claims 4 to 6 if the product is run on the computer; a computer readable medium, the computer program product~~ comprising:

computer usable program code for identifying a reference in an existing navigation tree of a local portal representing a placeholder for a navigation tree of a remote portal fragment, wherein the navigation tree defines a relationship between nodes of the navigation tree;

computer usable program code for establishing communication with a remote portal ;
computer usable program code for receiving meta-information from the remote portal describing the
navigation tree of the remote portal fragment to be integrated;
computer usable program code for merging the existing navigation tree with the navigation tree of
the remote portal fragment to be integrated resulting in a new navigation tree; and
computer usable program code for rendering an integrated portal page by traversing the new
navigation tree, identifying references to the remote portal fragment in the new navigation tree,
establishing communication with the remote portal and receiving a markup of the remote portal fragment
for displaying the remote portal fragment into the integrated portal page.